

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) Assembly for the hinged connection of a rear view mirror comprising a swivel pin (1) coaxially inserted through a ring-shaped holed element (20) connected to a frame (21) of said mirror, said swivel pin (1) having at a first end (1a) a flange (4) and at a second end (1b) at least a retaining configuration (3) adapted for being fixed on a corresponding retaining configuration (30) of a base (31) connected to a vehicle, an elastic member being arranged between said flange (4) and a support (22) of said holed element (20) acting by compression in a direction parallel to the axis of the swivel pin (1) to secure a contact under pressure between a lower part (23) of the holed element (20) and a seat (32) of said base (31), with the possibility of turning within an angle limited by respective stops, characterized in that said elastic member comprises a hollow cylinder (5) of moulded plastic material arranged as a skirt, from the peripheral edge (4) towards said second end (1b) of the swivel pin (1), coaxially to it, said hollow cylinder (5) being provided with at least an opening (6) having a suitable configuration to provide the hollow cylinder (5) with an elastic property, and said at least one opening (6) defining in the hollow cylinder (5) at least one helical strip (7).

2. (Original) Assembly according to claim 1, characterized in that the hollow cylinder (5) comprises a plurality of openings (6) defining at least two helical strips (7).

3. (Original) Assembly according to claim 2, characterized in that said at least two helical strips (7) have opposite helix directions and are crossing each other integrating each other in crossing areas (10).

4. (Currently Amended) Assembly, according to claim 1, ~~2 or 3~~, characterized in that each helical strip (7) has one end integrally connected to a top ring (8) and another end integrally connected to a lower ring (9).

5. (Original) Assembly, according to claim 1, characterized in that the swivel pin (1) is hollow and defines a cylindrical wall with an external surface of revolution (2).

6. (Original) Assembly, according to claim 1, characterized in that the flange (4) comprises at least two openings (11) adapted to receive a mounting tool.

7. (Original) Assembly, according to claim 1, characterized in that it comprises several retaining configurations (3) distributed at even intervals around said second end (1b) of the swivel pin (1) and in that the flange (4) comprises other openings (11) diametrically opposed two by two, adapted to receive a mounting tool.

8. (Currently Amended) Assembly according to claim ~~6 or 7~~, characterized in that each opening (11) is extended along a portion of the swivel pin (1) cylindrical wall.

9. (Currently Amended) Assembly according to ~~any of the above claims~~ claim 1, characterized in that the swivel pin (1) is of a moulded plastic material and in that said hollow cylinder (5) similar to a skirt is integral with said swivel pin (1).

10. (Original) Assembly according to claim 9, characterized in that each helical strip (7) has one end integrally connected to the peripheral edge of the flange (4) and another end integrally connected to a lower ring (9).

11. (New) Assembly, according to claim 2, characterized in that each helical strip (7) has one end integrally connected to a top ring (8) and another end integrally connected to a lower ring (9).

12. (New) Assembly, according to claim 3, characterized in that each helical strip (7) has one end integrally connected to a top ring (8) and another end integrally connected to a lower ring (9).

13. (New) Assembly, according to claim 7, characterized in that each opening (11) is extended along a portion of the swivel pin (1) cylindrical wall.